

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Richard A. Howes et al.

Serial No.:

09/954,507

Filing Date:

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Group Art Unit:

2666

Examiner:

Inder P. Mehra

Title:

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MAINTAINING CONNECTION STATE BETWEEN CONNECTION

MANAGER AND A FAILOVER DEVICE

NOTIFICATION OF EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Honorable Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby take an Extension of Time for responding to the Office Action dated July 5, 2005 for one (1) month from October 5, 2005 to November 5, 2005.

X First Month \$ 120.00
Second Month \$ 450.00
Third Month \$1,020.00
Fourth Month \$1,590.00

A check in the amount of \$120.00 is enclosed to cover the fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees or to credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

Respectfully submitted,

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